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PA-000.05272-USREMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the remarks and analysis contained in the Office Action. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application where claims 1-26 are currently pending. Independent claims 1, 11 and 17 have been substantively amended to more clearly define Applicant's invention.

Applicant is grateful for the indication of allowable subject matter in original presented claims 3-7, 13-16, 20 and 21. New claim 22 presents the subject matter of original claim 3 rewritten in independent form. New claim 23 presents the subject matter of claim 13 rewritten in independent form. New claim 24 presents the subject matter of original claim 16 rewritten in independent form. New claim 25 presents the subject matter of original claim 20 rewritten in independent form. New claim 26 presents the subject matter of original claim 21 rewritten in independent form. Therefore, all of those claims are allowable.

Applicant respectfully submits that none of claims 1-21 are anticipated by the *Zaharia, et al.* reference, which was applied against claims 1, 2, 8-12 and 17-19 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) in the Office Action. There is nothing in the *Zaharia, et al.* reference that discloses or suggests reducing a conveyor step speed in response to a wireless signal corresponding to a passenger desire for reduced speed of movement of the steps in order to facilitate passenger access to the conveyor. Therefore, there is no anticipation.

Applicant believes that additional fees in the amount of \$1050.00 are required for five additional independent claims. A Credit Card Payment form is attached. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

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Applicant respectfully submits that this case is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference will be useful for moving this case forward to being issued, Applicant's representative will be happy to discuss any issues regarding this application and can be contacted at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,
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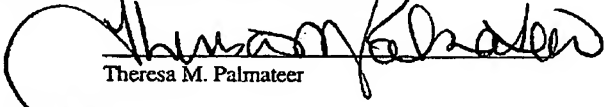
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